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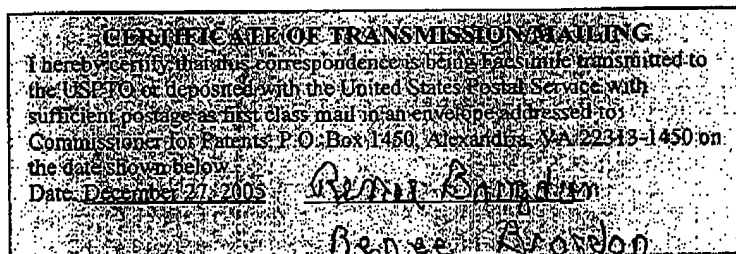
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Responsive to the Office Action dated August 25, 2005, the time for reply having been extended to December 27, 2005, by concurrent petition and payment of fee, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the **Listing of Claims** that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.